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MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Commission

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SUBJECT:

MUR 6394 (Rochelle M. Pingree, et al.)

On May 19, 2015, the Commission found probable cause to believe that Rochelle M. Pingree, Pingree for Congress and Anne Rand in her official capacity as treasurer, and S. Donald Sussman ("Respondents") violated various provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, in connection with Pingree's use of a noncommercial aircraft owned by Sussman for travel to campaign events. The Commission also authorized the Office of General Counsel to engage in probable cause conciliation with Respondents and approved a proposed conciliation agreement. Attached is a negotiated joint conciliation agreement that has been signed by counsel for Respondents. Attach. 1. We recommend that the Commission accept this agreement and close the file in this matter.

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 We therefore recommend that the Commission accept the signed conciliation agreement with Respondents and close the file.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. Accept the attached joint conciliation agreement with Rochelle M. Pingree, Pingree for Congress and Anne Rand in her official capacity as treasurer, and S. Donald Sussman.
- 2. Approve the appropriate letters.
- 3. Close the file.